

Fall Seminar Benefits

Join FDNY Battalion Chief John Salka as he talks about the many experiences he has had in the biggest and busiest fire department in America.



Whether Firefighter, Officer, or Chief you are sure to gain a multitude of principles, practices and exercises that you can take back to your department or district.

After receiving this training you will be able to make a positive impact in the performance and safety of your department or district's operations.

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The Washington State Fire Training and Safety Officers is committed to bringing you the most up to date applicable training available. Our mission statement is: The Washington State Fire Training and Safety Officers are dedicated to providing and facilitating the highest quality fire service and safety awareness training to the emergency responders of Washington State in an effort to increase responder proficiency and to reduce responder injury and fatality.



Chief Salka has been an officer for over 20 years and a chief for 10 of those years. He will share with you the lessons he has learned from both his successes and failures while commanding fire operation in the Bronx.

The Two Day Program Includes:

Fire Officer Leadership Skills - This program is a look at the eight important leadership skills that firefighters and officers need to have to be effective and successful. Both fireground operations and fire station life depend on the ability of the fire departments leaders to inspire and empower the people around them to perform the duties and face the challenges presented to the each day. No fire department or company can be successful without effective leaders and eager followers.

Fire Officer Academy - This is a program for every company officer or firefighter working towards being a company officer.

It is a review of the many skills, abilities and responsibilities that every company officer has for the people that work for him and the department that he works for. Every activity that every fire company gets involved in is guided and molded by the company officer. Fire chiefs depend on company officers to handle fireground tasks and fire station organization, and there are effective and successful ways of handling every situation. Every company officer should find this program interesting and helpful to their duties and responsibilities.

The FDNY Firefighter Survival Program

This is a program that was designed to highlight the dangers that firefighters face at every alarm they respond to. Some of the most frequent causes of firefighter injury and death are basic hazards that we face frequently. Chief Salka reviews some of the most dangerous situations that firefighters face and several of the actions that we can take to get ourselves out of trouble. He will discuss the proper use of personal protective equipment, transmitting a MAYDAY, fireground size-up, risk vs. reward decision making and fireground emergencies. This is a fast paced life saving program for all firefighters, officers and chiefs.

Fire Scene Size-Up - This program is an examination of the size-up process we practice at structural fires. It includes the many familiar factors we are taught to look at when devising our operational plan as well as some new concepts that will help you organize and implement an effective and safe fire scene size-up. Chief and safety officers should find this program particularly interesting and informative.

Firehouse Training Program - Of the many ways we try to improve safety and increase the effectiveness of our fire departments, training is the key to success. Join Chief Salka as he reviews and examines some of the most effective and productive training you can conduct right in your own firehouse. Attending conferences and trade show is always interesting and helpful, but every member of every fire department cannot take part in these large conferences. Taking the time and energy to put together several training programs in your own fire station will make them available to every member and increase your level of safety and effectiveness.

Training and company officers should find this program helpful in enhancing their training efforts.

Battle Ready Firefighters - There are many functions and tactics that fire departments are responsible for in their communities, and we spend lots of time preparing and training for these situations. But if you look at the basic skills needed to be a successful firefighter, you will find a fairly short but important list. Chief Salka will list and review the set of skills that each of us needs to master in order to be considered *battle ready*. We will take a look at both engine and ladder company skills and how both officers and firefighters can increase their effectiveness and fireground success.

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9:00am-1630pm

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